

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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JUNE 20, 1836.

Read, and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. PRENTISS made the following

REPORT,

WITH SENATE BILL NO. 305.

*The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Parker Chase, report :*

That the petitioner represents that he entered the army of the United States in February, 1813, during the late war, and served as ensign in the company commanded by Captain Joseph Smith, in Colonel Denny McCobb's regiment of volunteers ; that in October, 1813, while in the service, being in pursuit of the enemy in the night, in Cedar swamp, he fell over a log, and was taken up helpless and senseless and carried to Chataugua Four Corners ; that he remained there about a month, under the care of a surgeon of the army, and was given up as incurable ; that he has never been well since he received the injury, but has suffered much pain, is obliged to avoid exposure to wet or cold, and is unable to perform any hard labor.

The appointment and service of the petitioner as an ensign are proved by a letter from the Commissioner of Pensions, and the fact of his having received the injury in the manner stated and sworn to by him, and his sickness and confinement in consequence thereof, are satisfactorily proved by the testimony of credible witnesses. Elijah Robinson, a respectable physician, certifies, under oath, that, in his opinion, the injury the petitioner received occasioned a fracture in the lower part of the spine, that he is frequently laid up for weeks after an exposure to wet or cold, suffering severe pain, that he is unable to perform hard labor, and that his case is incurable. Lemuel Richmond, also a respectable physician, concurs in the opinion expressed by Doctor Robinson, and both agree that the petitioner is three-fourths disabled.

The committee are of opinion that the petitioner is entitled to a pension, and report a bill accordingly.

